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## PETITION FOR A FOUR-MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

In accordance with the provision of 37 CFR § 1.136(a), it is respectfully requested that a four-month extension of time be granted in which to respond to the Notice of Appeal mailed March 13, 2007, said period of response being extended from May 13, 2007 to September 13, 2007.

Please charge Deposit Account No. 19-0743 in the amount of \$1590.00 to cover the required extension fee. Please charge any additional fees or credit overpayment to deposit Account No. 19-0743.

Respectfully Submitted,

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CERTIFICATE UNDER 37 CFR § 1.8: The undersigned hereby certifies that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service with sufficient postage as first class mail, in an envelope addressed to: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria VA 22313-1450, on this 23th day of August 2007.

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